FORT APPOINTED VICE PRESIDENT FOR INSTITUTIONAL ADVANCEMENT

Gregg Fort, assistant vice president for university advancement at DePaul University in Chicago, has been named vice president for institutional advancement at Hilbert College, announced President Cynthia Zane, Ed.D. His appointment was effective July 9.

In his new role, Fort will lead all aspects of Hilbert’s fundraising efforts and the college’s government relations and alumni affairs programs and activities. He also will oversee comprehensive strategies to seek private support through major gifts, the Hilbert Fund, and private and public grants. In making the appointment, Zane said, “With Gregg’s nearly 25 years of experience in higher education fundraising, we are pleased to have a leader of his caliber to serve as Hilbert’s vice president for institutional advancement. His extensive background will be tremendously valuable in building on the college’s philanthropic efforts and creating the framework to foster a strong major gifts program.”

As assistant vice president at DePaul for the past five years, Fort has led the university’s corporate relations office, where he developed a campus partnership initiative that was instrumental in supporting “Many Dreams, One Mission: The Campaign for DePaul University,” the institution’s $250 million capital campaign. During his tenure, he also initiated new strategies for DePaul’s President’s Club that resulted in all-time membership records, and created a new corporate giving campaign program that increased giving in this area by more than 50%. In addition, he coordinated strategic planning for DePaul’s Office of Advancement, and developed and supervised the division’s prospect development and central major giving program, as well as served as campaign director for Catholic initiatives.

Prior to this, Fort was executive director of the Big Red Fund at the University of Illinois at Chicago, and was associate athletic director for external relations at Florida International University in Miami. He also held positions at Stephen F. Austin State University in Texas, where he was associate athletic director for external affairs/capital campaign director and previously was director of sports information.

Fort is a graduate of Austin College where he recently completed a three-year term on the college’s alumni board. A native of McKinney, Texas, Fort will reside in Buffalo. His wife, Nicci Hays Fort, is head women’s basketball coach at Colgate University.

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WELCOME BACK!

INTRODUCING THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

by David Grapes

Hello, fellow Hilbert College students! We are excited to kick off this fall semester. My name is David Grapes, the President of the Student Government Association (SGA). A resident of Boston, New York, I am a sophomore business administration major. I also participate in the Leadership Scholarship program. When one first hears mention of SGA, you may infer we are a small group of enlightened students who have no interest in the happenings elsewhere in the college. Thanks to Hollywood and the film industry, we have often been depicted in such ways. I can happily and firmly disagree. Hilbert College SGA is a student organization whose sole purpose is to protect the interests of you, the student. We

HILBERT STUDENTS IN KENYA: AN UNFORGETTABLE EXPERIENCE

by Amber Bailey

This summer, I was lucky enough to be a part of the “Kenyakrew” and have the chance to travel abroad to Kenya, Africa. I would have to say that it was the most amazing and also the most rewarding experience of my life! I never thought I would

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EDITORIAL

YOUNG & SOUND: WHAT WILL HAPPEN WHEN YOU ARE NOT WANTED ANYMORE?

by Laura Lopez

Several years ago, WGRZ reported that a woman locked her seventy-one-year-old mother-in-law inside a bedroom while she went shopping. Sad, isn’t it? Could this happen to you? What will happen when you are not wanted anymore? What will happen when you stop being young and sound in mind and body? Will your last days be fying and happy? Sadly, they might not.

Our culture has developed a fear and an aversion toward aging. I hear people say things like, “I’d rather die young than be old and useless.” “When I get old and start being a burden on my kids, I want them to put me in a nursing home.”

Our vision has been blurred to the point at which we can no longer see what our elders can bring to the table. We see them as items that have to be discarded and many people act upon these feelings of rejection. If this attitude does not stop, chances are you too may suffer some sort of abuse when you become elderly. If you do not believe it, take a look at the statistics. According to the National Center on Elder Abuse in the United States, between one and two million Americans aged sixty-five and older have been injured, exploited, or otherwise mistreated and for every substantiated case of elder abuse, neglect, exploitation, or self-neglect, about five more go unreported. Most perpetrators are family members.

Given the widespread nature of the problem, it is inconceivable that this topic is not receiving as much attention as other subjects. Almost daily, I see updates on news about bullying, whether it is a new law being established, rallies, or a new Facebook page. I am not saying bullying is not an important issue, but I wish the same attention was given to the topic of elder abuse.

June 15, 2012, was World Elder Abuse Day; sadly, it went without notice. I did not hear of any gatherings, saw no pamphlets, and heard no one talk about it in the news. How can you make your loved ones wish you live forever and not wish the opposite so that they can get hold of your assets? The answer is easy: it starts with you. Help create a culture of love and respect towards our elders. Educate yourself about the topic, join a group and raise awareness. Remember that soon enough, you, too, may stop being young and sound.

H-FILES’ WRITING CONTEST

Write for The H-Files: You May Be Eligible for a Prize

For the fourteenth straight year since its inception, The H-Files is offering prizes for the most articles by a currently enrolled Hilbert student—full-time or part-time—appearing in the student newspaper for academic year 2012-2013!

Each issue of The H-Files presents an updated tally, so that students can check the standings every issue, with new names being added every time an additional student writes for the paper. If past performance is any indication, the equivalent of one article per issue for all eight issues published in 2012-13 is almost assured to win a prize. In some contest years, as few as three or four articles for the academic year have been sufficient to earn an award. Prize-winners will be announced in the eighth issue, with prizes distributed during Quad Party XVI next April, 2013.

Watch for an article listing prizes and the sponsorship for them in

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TATTOOS IN THE WORKFORCE: YES OR NO?

by Sara Walker

It seems that visible tattoos are everywhere. I see them on campus, at the mall, in the park, and even in certain places of business. This makes me wonder whether employers have become tolerant of visible tattoos in the workplace.

I am not talking about part-time retail jobs, but about our chosen professions. It is difficult to find a job in today’s economy. After four years of mounting student loans, will the permanent ink on my body hinder my chances of employment? I am inclined to say no. I currently work in the medical field. Professionalism is always expected. At a recent staff meeting a co-worker asked whether tattoos must be covered at all times. To my surprise our office manager said no as long as the tattoo is not offensive. This response makes me wonder if times are changing. Of course, this remark does not represent all businesses. Because the job market is so tight, I want to increase my chances of being offered a job in my field. It would be helpful to have local business representatives present their company’s viewpoint on the topic of visible tattoos.

This is why I propose the college offer a workshop on professional appearance. Various business leaders could enlighten the upcoming graduating class on what is expected in their workplace. I feel this would be beneficial to those of us who have visible tattoos and want to be considered professionals based on our education and experience, not on our tattoos.

H-FILES’ PHOTO CONTEST

For the eleventh year in a row, The H-Files is sponsoring a photo contest. Currently enrolled full- or part-time Hilbert students are encouraged to submit a photo description. Each student—full-time or part-time—may submit one entry per issue for all eight issues published during school year 2012-2013.

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THE STUDENT NEWSPAPER DELIVERED TO YOUR HOME

For academic year 2012-2013, a subscription fee of only $7.00 entitles persons to receive in the mail all eight issues of THE H-FILES, the student newspaper (four fall and four spring semester issues). Issues commonly include an events calendar and activity updates; news and sports articles, information pieces on cultural events, college offices, departments, and clubs; theater, film, concert, restaurant, or CD reviews; and more! If you want to know what’s new and what’s happening on campus, $7.00 for eight issues is a deal you want to miss out on! The subscription fee covers postage and nominal support for this student-sponsored venture in journalism. Subscriptions received after the school is in session for Fall, 2011, will include any back issues already distributed during school year 2012-2013.

Just fill out the form below and submit it with your check in the amount of $7.00 made out to Dr. Charles A. S. Ernst. For subscriber information, contact Dr. Ernst at (716) 649-7900, ext. 315. Please provide clearly your name and phone number so that all voice-mail messages and queries may be acknowledged.

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Hilbert College
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Yes, I would like to take advantage of this fantastic student newspaper offer! Enclosed is my check for $7.00, entitling me to all 8 issues for school year 2012-2013.

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HILBERT BOARD CHAIRPERSON HONORED BY COUNTY LEGISLATURE

by David Grapes

Ann Swan, chair of Hilbert College’s Board of Trustees, was recognized by Erie County Legislator Edward A. Rath III on July 26, 2012, at a special on-campus ceremony at which she was given a Legislative Proclamation for her exemplary service and support of the college.

Rath stated at the ceremony, “It is an honor to recognize Mrs. Swan and her outstanding efforts to provide valuable education and services to her community.” At Session No. 14 of the Erie County Legislature, the members unanimously approved a proclamation recognizing Mrs. Swan for her exemplary public service and being named the recipient of the Hilbert College President’s Medal.” Swan, a resident of Clarence, is serving her third term as chair of the Board of Trustees and was awarded the President’s Medal at the 51st annual commencement ceremony, in recognition of “her steadfast belief in the vitality of Hilbert and enriching the institution’s future, her support in fostering the success of Hilbert students, and for her esteemed leadership.”

SMARTPHONES: A GROWING CONCERN

by Chris Marshall

Smartphones are becoming more powerful with every new feature released. This is not only attractive to businesses, but also to younger generations. But incorporating smartphones with more sensitive information creates a much greater vulnerability to information theft. Security that sensitive information is not often considered, especially with younger smartphones users. The possibility that corporate e-mail, personal pictures, or other personal information could easily be stolen greatly increases if one has not taken measures to enhance smartphone integrity. Regardless of make, the iPhone, Android, and even BlackBerry are susceptible to attacks that, in the incorrect hands, could result in the theft of money, information, and even one’s identity. By 2013 the sale of PCs will be second to smartphones. With this increase, malicious software developers will look toward the smartphone as their greatest opportunity, as dangerous programs such as viruses, malware, and spyware can have serious consequences regarding the information on one’s phone. According to a study by Lookout Mobile Security in 2011, infected apps rose from 80 to over 400 in just five months. DroidDream is a malware program found in at least 50 downloadable applications on the Android marketplace. Although Google has taken actions to remove apps that may have malicious intentions, content should still be taken when downloading apps. It is good practice to verify that an application developer is genuine by checking ratings of previously released apps. If anything appears suspicious, it is not a good idea to download. Many people invested in the iPhone or BlackBerry, believing that there was no risk of infection for those apps. That, however, is not true. In 2011 a man named Charlie Miller created an application called InstaStock that, on the surface, appeared legitimate, but—unbeknownst to the user—would allow the attacker full access to anything on the phone. Ordinarily, without approval from Apple’s application filtering process, it would never be available for people to download from the app store. However, Miller was able to construct the program in such a way that the filtering process by Apple missed any indication of malicious activity. He was able successfully to make a Trojan virus available on the iPhone app store. Luckily, he was stopped by the downloading process by Apple. Trojan viruses can be dangerous to a smartphone user, because of the type of information often stored there. Think of anything on your smartphone that is...

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Later graduates with all sorts of degrees, there are many possibilities that you will “rub elbows” with CEOs, officials, even presidents of companies. These higher-ups are usually well educated, prestigious, and perhaps from impressive backgrounds. These high-status individuals usually always attend concerts, ballets, operas, and dramas, and have great art hanging in their offices and homes. What an asset it would be to be able to speak their language and immerse in the arts and especially the history of the arts for even a short while. (Thank you, Professor Peter Wolfe.) A few years ago I visited the National Gallery of Art with a friend who had attended college and studied both nursing and dance. She did not recognize any of the famous paintings and artists, nor was she able to pronounce one name correctly. I was truly embarrassed for her as I was for a ballet teacher friend of mine who mispronounced the French terms: a must for every teacher, student, and ballerina. And as for German, ever try to pronounce Johann Wolfgang von Goethe without first hearing it from Professor Ernst?

With the proper formation—or even your identity!——a VG has released software to prevent a possible attack in the future on your wireless Bluetooth operation, (3) once installed, the attacker could steal any transmitted information.

You must first download any contents without the owner’s knowledge. With an easy-to-use application that can be downloaded remotely to download your smartphone now and be sure to keep the Bluetooth on your device off if you do not plan to use it for an extended time.

Preventing viruses from downloaded malicious apps is a bit more difficult. When planning to download an application, be sure that (1) the application is coming from a trusted source; (2) the app developers have sufficient experience to ensure they do not have malicious intent; and (3) once installed, the app does what is expected. If you ensure those three steps when downloading applications, the possibility of infecting your device will be lowered substantially. If you are using public Wi-Fi, as in a coffee shop, be sure to limit the amount of sensitive information you transfer to the web. The nature of public Wi-Fi allows anyone to collect your wirelessly transmitted information.

To help prevent viruses from downloading malicious apps, the following tips are essential:

1. Use an antivirus application that can detect and remove malicious apps.
2. Ensure that the application is from a trusted source.
3. Only download applications from trusted developers.
4. Be cautious when installing applications from unknown sources.
5. Keep your antivirus application up to date to protect against the latest threats.

By being proactive in securing your smartphone and protecting against potential attacks, you can safeguard your device and personal information from malicious intent.

Artistic Anecdotes of Laughter & Tears

by Bernadine De Mike

While watching a short clip of a ballet I was planning to see later this year at the Kennedy Center, I went into complete shock! The narrator mispronounced the composer, the leading Russian dancer, the name of the prestigious theater, and a few other artistic entities. I cringed at these faux pas, knowing that this uneducated tongue had obviously never studied or become acquainted with dance, drama, music, or history of the theater. (I shudder to think of what she would do in narrating descriptions of the French impressionists.)

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LEARNING HOW TO USE COURSE MANAGEMENT SOFTWARE (Angel) 

by Stephanie Smith

What: Learn how to use the Angel &/or Blackboard system to its fullest potential

Where: Bogel Hall, Room 106

Dates: Friday, Sept. 7 and 14

Time: 2:00-3:30 p.m.

Presenter: Jenna Dulak

Snacks will be served at the end of the workshop in the Academic Services Center, Bogel Hall 107

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Rosencrantz & Guildenstern Are Dead by Tom Stoppard

The Buffalo Laboratory Theatre’s 4th Annual Curtain Up! South gala on the Hilbert college campus is approaching fast! Ring in the new theatre season with an event that is becoming a favorite tradition! Great company, delicious food and drink, live music, and a champagne toast make for a wonderful start to an evening at the Lab!

The evening’s entertainment is Rosencrantz & Guildenstern Are Dead by playwright Tom Stoppard, directed by Paula Westinghouse, and starring Ray Bouchard, Taylor Doherty, and Katie White. Acclaimed as a modern dramatic masterpiece, Rosencrantz & Guildenstern Are Dead is the fabulously inventive tale of Hamlet as told from the worm’s-eye view of the bewildered denstern Are Dead by playwright Tom Stoppard.

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The remaining performances of Rosencrantz and Guildenstern Are Dead run from Sept. 15 through Sept. 29 in the Sw Auditorium at 7:30 p.m., September 15, 19, 22, 27; at 2 p.m., Sept. 16. For all Sept. 15-29 performances, admission prices for Hilbert students, faculty, and staff is $5; for non-Hilbert students and seniors, $15; for all others, $20.

Congratulations! You have successfully completed your first year of undergraduate coursework at Hilbert College and you are not a freshman anymore! However, the sophomore year can be both socially and academically challenging. The “newness” of Hilbert has passed and you may be questioning your personal, academic, and long-term goals. Although the excitement of your first year may be disappearing, I am happy to share some exciting news just for you. This year, we have designated programming and workshop initiatives geared specifically to students in their second year of college. These initiatives will vary from fun and interactive social events to career planning and goal-setting workshops. Our goal for you this year is to become even more engaged within the Hilbert community, understand your academic plan leading to graduation, and begin to focus on your career plans.

To kick off the year, we would like to welcome you to the 2nd Annual Welcome Back BBQ! It will be held on Tuesday, Sept. 4, from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. in the Quad. There will be a special draw for sophomores and great food and giveaways. Then, on Thursday, Oct. 25, from 3:15 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., the SGA Meeting, 3:15-4:15 p.m., Campus Center Conference Room, lower level Great Expectations Club, 3:15 p.m., Paczesny Hall, Room 139 (Honors Lounge) Counseling center program: Making New Friends, 12:15 p.m., St. Joe’s lounge Learning how to use course Management Software (Angel), 2:30-3:30 p.m., Debbie Dimitrovsit, Bogel Hall 107 Buffalo Theater Play (BLT), Rosencrantz and Guildenstern Are Dead, play by Tom Stoppard, 7:30 p.m. Swain Auditorium (first night is the gala Curtain Up! starting at 6:30 p.m.) Service-Weeding a Community Garden, 10 a.m., hosted by Denise Brill, 2195 Seneca Street BLT, Rosencrantz and Guildenstern Are Dead, play by Tom Stoppard, 7:30 p.m. Swain Auditorium BLT, Rosencrantz and Guildenstern Are Dead, play by Tom Stoppard, 7:30 p.m. Swain Auditorium Annual Stratford trip to see Shakespeare’s Henry V, bus departs 8:15 a.m., Stratford Festival Theatre, Stratford, Ontario, Canada BLT, Rosencrantz and Guildenstern Are Dead, play by Tom Stoppard, 7:30 p.m. Swain Auditorium BLT, Rosencrantz and Guildenstern Are Dead, play by Tom Stoppard, 7:30 p.m. Swain Auditorium BLT, Rosencrantz and Guildenstern Are Dead, play by Tom Stoppard, 7:30 p.m. Swain Auditorium BLT, Rosencrantz and Guildenstern Are Dead, play by Tom Stoppard, 7:30 p.m. Swain Auditorium
Welcome Back Students! We have lots of exciting activities planned for you this semester. Be sure to stay updated with what is going on by joining us on Facebook at Hilbert Student Activities today!

**Sunday, Sept. 2-Friday, Sept. 7**

**HILBERT COLLEGE WELCOME WEEK**

**Sunday, Sept. 2**
7 p.m. Illusionist Leon Etienne
Dining Hall, Campus Center
Illusionist Leon Etienne brings to the stage a spectacular theatrical magic production and takes his audience on a journey filled with dramatic illusions, personality, and state-of-the-art theatrical effects. In the world of magic, manipulation is often thought of as one of the most difficult skill sets to master. Featured in every performance is Leon’s amazing signature award-winning manipulation act.

**Monday, Sept. 3**
9 p.m. Karaoke!
Dining Hall, Campus Center

**Tuesday, Sept. 4**
4 p.m.-6 p.m. Welcome Back BBQ featuring Caribbean Extravaganza Steel Drum Band
Main Quad
Sponsored by Common Ground Club, Multicultural Affairs Office, and Student Activities Office

**Wednesday, Sept. 5**
1 p.m. Tie-Dye T-shirts and Cookies
Bogel Hall, Front Foyer

**Thursday, Sept. 6**
9 p.m. ThinkFast Game Show
Swan Auditorium
Compete for cash prizes by answering pop-culture trivia questions!

**Friday, Sept. 7**
7 p.m. Beach Party at Mickey Rats
Join us for a FREE night in the sand with Chiavetta’s Chicken BBQ, sand volleyball, music, contests, prizes, and much more fun! Transportation will be provided or else meet us there. Buses depart the campus parking Lot D (behind McGrath Library) at 6:30 p.m. sharp.

It’s back . . . **Zumba**!

Every Wednesday beginning Sept. 19 at 6 p.m., Franciscan Hall Atrium

Ditch the workout, join the party! Zumba combines Latin and international music with a fun and effective workout. Dance to music such as salsa, hip hop, and samba. It’s a great exercise and a great time. All Hilbert students are welcome. Bring your sneakers and a comfy pair of workout clothes.

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do not work for the faculty or the administration. We work for, and with, the students. We collaborate alongside faculty and administration to best serve the student body. We all know it sometimes can be quite difficult when trying to materialize an idea, for example, new club ideas, campus improvement plans, or concerns. Working up the chain of command can be tedious and time-consuming. Hilbert College SGA is the middle man. We are here to help you. Student government is a great way to get involved on campus and we are constantly looking for more representatives. Regardless of age, grade level, or experience, we want you! It takes only a few simple steps, and you could be our next SGA representative. Our office is located in the lower level of the Campus Center, directly below the dining hall. Drop in and ask about getting involved. Our advisor, Jeannie Kornacki, located within the Student Activities Office, will also be available to answer any questions. Or feel free to contact me, or any of our other representatives. Our elections will be held in late September, so please don’t hesitate. Our meetings take place every Thursday at 3:15 p.m. All students are welcome to attend. We encourage your presence at any of our meetings. Attending meetings is a wonderful way to see what SGA is doing around campus and the student issues at hand. Ultimately, the Hilbert College SGA is here to serve you. We are quite friendly folks and we would love to meet you. My e-mail address is dgrapes@hilbert.edu. I welcome any questions, or contact me just to say hello. Remember, we are here for you!

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**Workshops Series**

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p.m. on the second floor of the McGrath Library, we will host our annual “Coffee and Conversations” just for sophomores! This workshop will enable you to discuss your academic plan preparing you for your work and life goals. We will also explore your major options and other topics, such as whether you should incorporate a minor. It is so important that you really take the time now to ensure you are on the best path for personal and professional success. This workshop will help. If you are interested in attending, please contact Denise Harris or Mich Sojda to reserve your spot today and to make sure we have enough coffee!

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Denise Harris
Vice Provost for Student Engagement
ACADEMIC AWARDS, HONORS PRESENTED TO HILBERT’S NEWEST GRADUATES

Honors for academic excellence, including division/program awards and Honors Medals, were presented to graduating seniors in the Hilbert College Class of 2012 at the institution’s annual academic honors reception held on May 11 during commencement weekend. Honored students received their degrees at Hilbert’s 51st commencement exercises on May 12. College Class of 2012 at the institution’s annual academic honors reception held on May 11 during commencement weekend. Honored students for academic excellence, including division/program awards and Honors Medals, were presented to graduating seniors in the Hilbert

Division-specific awards, special honors, and honors certificates were presented to the following students.

In addition, academic honors certificates were awarded to students who had earned a 3.3 GPA and above. Division-specific awards, special honors, and honors certificates were presented to the following students.

### AKRON:
- Patrick Winney – Hilbert College Award in English, Sigma Tau Delta inductee, Honors Medal, Blue and White Society, and honors certificate
- Samantha Hahn and Alyssa Swartz – Honors Medal and honors certificate

### ALDEN:
- Angela Shuster – honors certificate
- Lisa Ayers – honors certificate

### AMHERST:
- Stacey Polek – Looseleaf Law Publications Award for Forensic Science/Crime Scene Investigation and honors certificate
- Blake Russell – honors certificate

### ATTICA:
- Ann Roach – McGrath Award in Liberal Studies and honors certificate
- Jesse Burns – honors certificate

### BATAVIA:
- Mary Zinni – honors certificate

### BLASDELL:
- Lanie Harrington – McGrath Award in Forensic Science/Crime Scene Investigation and honors certificate
- Danny Lysek – McGrath Award in Political Science and honors certificate
- Honors certificate – Robert Cole, Janine Couell, and Haley Sittmiedski
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### BOWMANSVILLE:
- Samuel Cosentino, Ashlynn Doria, Samantha Elminowski, Honors Medal, Blue and White Society, and honors certificate

### CALEDONIA:
- Sara Graves – honors certificate

### CHEEKTOWAGA:
- Erica Gosticki – Looseleaf Law Publications Award for Criminal Justice and honors certificate
Academic Awards, Honors, to Grads
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• Michael Kessler, Jr. – honors certificate

CLARENCE CENTER:
• David Denny – honors certificate

COLDEN:
• James Reinhardt – Hilbert College Award in Computer Security and Information Assurance, Honors Medal, Blue and White Society, and honors certificate

COLLINS:
• Tami Smith – Hilbert College Award in Psychology and honors certificate

COWLESVILLE:
• Paul Gargula – honors certificate

DANSVILLE:
• Joshua Sick – honors certificate

DEPEW:
• Shonnah Rombesburg – Honors Medal and honors certificate

DERBY:
• Traci Scheuer – Hilbert College Award in Legal Studies, Lamda Epsilon Chi inductee, and honors certificate

EAST AURORA:
• Britanny Kay – McGrath Award in Human Services and honors certificate

EDEN:
• Darren Haag – Hilbert College Award in Business Administration, Waring Financial Group Achievement Award, and honors certificate

• Sarah Zablonski – McGrath Award in Accounting and honors certificate

ELMA:
• Mark Wipperman – honors certificate

FORESTVILLE:
• Jessica Litzinger – honors certificate

HAMBURG:
• Stephanie Agone – McGrath Award in Business Administration, Honors Medal, Blue and White Society, and honors certificate

• Robert Buresh – Looseleaf Law Publications Award for Criminal Justice and honors certificate

• Heidi Mack – Hilbert College Award in Liberal Studies and honors certificate

• Jillian Martucci – McGrath Award in Computer Security and Information Assurance, Blue and White Society, and honors certificate

• Kaylee Omerhodzic – Honors Medal and honors certificate

• Katherine Strnad – McGrath Award in Criminal Justice, Blue and White Society, and honors certificate

• Daniel Telauk – Honors Medal and honors certificate

• Honors certificate – Sarah Cheney, Katherina Clifford, Alyssa Conrad, Katie Courtney, Maureen Gabor, Nathan Haas, Timothy Johnston, Ryan Lamb, Megan Parshall, Jayne Rhein, Aaron Senseney, Veronica Sullivan, and Emily Valenti

HICKORY, N.C.:
• Eric Russell – honors certificate

HOLLAND, Mich.:
• Brandy Graham and Jessica Voglewede – honors certificate

IRVING:
• Jessica Rogers – honors certificate

LACKAWANNA:
• Jamie Bigaj – honors certificate

LAKE GROVE:
• Melissa Messina – honors certificate

Lancaster:
• Lauren Lukasiewicz – Hilbert College Award in Forensic Science/Crime Scene Investigation and honors certificate

• Honors certificate – Brandy Holdsworth and Ashley Madera

LAWTONS:
• Kelsey Barratt – honors certificate

Liverpool:
• Chelsea Miller – McGrath Award in Rehabilitation Services and honors certificate

LOCKPORT:
• Justin Brackett – honors certificate

MEDIA, Pa.:
• Thomas Wills – McGrath Award in Digital Media and Communication and honors certificate

NORTH COLLINS:
• Andrew Tisdale – honors certificate

NEW YORK:
• Diandra Cano – Blue and White Society and honors certificate

NIAGARA FALLS:
• Felicia Harris – Honors Medal and honors certificate

• David Hasley – honors certificate

ORCHARD PARK:
• Victoria Felsor – Joecelyn Hughes Excellence in English Award, Sigma Tau Delta inductee, Honors Medal, Blue and White Society, and honors certificate

• Heather Grinsell – Sigma Tau Delta inductee, Honors Medal, and honors certificate

ROCHESTER:
• Honors certificate – Kelsey Dunning, Stephanie Scheeter, and Samantha Tedesco

ROCHESTER:
• Patrick Lagueras – honors certificate

SLOAN:
• Joshua Anderson – honors certificate

SPRINGVILLE:
• Ashley Beeman – honors certificate

TONAWANDA:
• James Pernick – Sigma Tau Delta inductee, Blue and White Society, and honors certificate

• Allison Hall – honors certificate

VARYSBURG:
• Kristen Maplesden – Hilbert College Award in Rehabilitation Services and honors certificate

WEST SENeca:
• Jade Cummins – Hilbert College Award in Digital Media and Communication and honors certificate

• Melissa McGuire – Hilbert College Award in Human Services and honors certificate

• Nicholas Pawlowski – honors certificate

• Kathryn Rezpek – Hilbert College Award in Accounting and honors certificate

• Chelsea Schreiber – Honors Medal, Blue and White Society, and honors certificate

• Noelie Wojnar – McGrath Award in English, Sigma Tau Delta inductee, and honors certificate

WILLIAMSVILLE:
• Stephen Crane – honors certificate

BREAKFAST CLUB IS BACK

Join us at the Before-Class Breakfast Club in the Academic Services Center of Bogel Hall, Room 107.

Start your day at Hilbert with coffee and tea provided by Academic Services. Especially all of you commuters out there, stop by and grab a cup of coffee to help you start your day right, beginning Wednesday, Sept. 5, through Drop/Add.

Academic Services opens every day at 8 a.m. for all students. Coffee and tea will be served from the time we open until 9:15 a.m., so if you are arriving early for class and you need a place to relax, read a book, or jump on a computer, come to Academic Services.

You may also want to stop on your way to campus and grab your favorite coffee and breakfast sandwich. Then you can stop in to chat and hang out with us while you eat your breakfast. Just make sure you leave on time for class. Come alone and meet new people, or bring your friends and hang out; everyone is welcome to join us.

Mich Sojda, Director
Academic Services Center
HILBERT CLUBS FOR 2012-13

Adventure Club
Advisor: Jim Sturm
Looking for adventure? This club participates in a variety of action-oriented programs, from hiking to sky diving. If you can think of an adventure we are brave enough to do it! All challenges are welcome.

Art Club
Advisor: Beth Dragoon
Art Club allows the opportunity for students to express themselves creatively through various forms of media such as drawing, painting, photography, and much more.

Campus Activities Advisory Board (CAAB)
Advisor: Kim Sperring
The Campus Activities Advisory Board is a group of students who work with the Student Activities Office in planning and overseeing extracurricular events on campus. This board organizes the majority of social events and activities for the Hilbert community, including national performers, semi-formals, speakers, comedians, and musicians. All students are invited and encouraged to make suggestions to this board.

Campus Ministry Club
Advisor: Barbara Bonanno
The Campus Ministry Club provides a link between the Hilbert College student body and the Office of Campus Ministry and is open to students of all faith backgrounds. The club affords students the opportunity for input, planning, and participation in campus ministry-related activities including social functions, community building, faith sharing, service opportunities, ministry, and leadership training.

Common Ground Club
Advisor: Dr. Tara Jabbaar-Gyambrah
The Common Ground Club is a diverse group seeking to create an inclusive environment for student learning both inside and outside of the classroom. The club also builds social skills among students to help promote a student community. The Common Ground Club provides students with new and innovative programs designed to encourage working together to build student appreciation for different identities and cultures. Membership is open to all students.

Communications Club
Advisor: Dr. Don Vincent
The Communications Club provides an opportunity for students to learn more about the broad field of communication while making friends and having fun. The club sponsors trips and numerous social activities as well as projects that increase the students’ understanding of and proficiency in the communication arts.

Criminal Justice & Forensic Science Association
Advisor: John Culhane
The Criminal Justice Association provides an informal setting in which students and faculty can discuss ideas, current events, and careers in criminal justice. Students also have the opportunity to visit local police and correctional and juvenile facilities, as well as go on trips outside of the Western New York area. In previous years, the club has gone on trips to the New York State Police Training Academy in Albany, the FBI Training Academy in Virginia, and the Forensic Lab in Toronto, Ontario, Canada.

Future Alumni Network (FAN)
Advisor: Deanna Messinger
The Future Alumni Network (FAN) Club works on having a union between current students and alumni. The club focuses its efforts on networking, philanthropy, and programming. Membership is open to all students.

Great Expectations Club
Advisor: Dr. Amy Smith
Do you enjoy travel, the theater, the arts? Then Great Expectations is the club for you. Last year we traveled to Washington, D.C., went to several plays, and visited art galleries. Join Great Expectations and join the fun.

The H-Files, Hilbert’s student newspaper
Advisor: Dr. Charles A. S. Ernst
Would you like to see movies, go to the theater, listen to CDs, visit restaurants, get to meet people, and much more? Sign up for The H-Files and become a staff reporter for the student newspaper!

Hilbert Horizons, the student literary magazine
Advisor: Dr. Charles A. S. Ernst
Do you like to write short stories or poems? Do you like to draw or photograph interesting things? Sign up for Hilbert Horizons and join the staff of the student magazine!

Hilbert Starz
Advisor: Denise Harris
The Hilbert Starz was founded in the fall of 2009 as Hilbert College’s cheer and dance team. The team performs sideline and halftime routines at both women and men’s basketball games. Their goal is to promote spirit, provide encouragement and support for our athletic programs, and be active members of the Hilbert community.

Hockey Club
Advisor: Don Suchan
The main objective of the Hockey Club is to provide Hilbert students with the opportunity to play ice hockey. The club arranges pick-up games at the Hamburg Ice Arena and last semester participated in a scrimmage with Erie Community College. On campus, the club has also co-sponsored a hockey movie night and has held a street hockey shoot-out to benefit “Coats for Kids.” If hockey is your game, check us out!

Human Services and Rehabilitation Association
Advisor: Colleen Kumiega
The Human Services Association offers students the opportunity to socialize and network with various present and future human services professionals. Underlying the association’s activities is a spirit of fun and mutual collaboration as students hold forums with guest speakers, attend conferences and workshops, and explore issues of relevance to the human services profession. Members are encouraged to plan and engage in projects which enhance the Hilbert environment and its surrounding community, as well as the personal and professional growth of students interested in the field. Membership is open to human services majors, but any Hilbert student who has an interest in human services may also join.

McGrath Library Club
Advisor: Katie Donahue
Do you love books, graphic novels, reading, or paper arts? Last year we met authors and illustrators at Comics Fest held at the Central Library in downtown Buffalo, attended book- and paper-making workshops at The Western New York Book Arts Collaborative, and took part in Just Buffalo Literacy Center’s city-wide book club series held at Kleinhans Music Hall. Join us for similar events this year!

Military Club
Advisor: Jeannie Kornacki
The Military Club provides support and information for students active in the military, veterans, those who have friends and/or family members in the military, or are interested in the military. The club comes together to socialize, share stories, and carry out programs of interest.

Phi Beta Lambda
Advisor: Patrick Heraty and Dan Roland
Phi Beta Lambda promotes professional business leadership through educational experiences and involvement in leadership activities. The club welcomes students of any major.

Ski/Snowboard Club
Advisor: John D’Amico
The Hilbert College Ski Club provides Hilbert students with the ability to acquire discount ski passes along with the chance to participate in an annual ski trip. The Ski Club provides great opportunities to learn to ski or snowboard and make friends on the slopes.

Spectrum
Advisor: Jeannie Kornacki
To help provide a supportive environment in which lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgendered students, faculty, staff, and administrators have equality in every respect. Grounded in Hilbert College’s core values—respect, service, hope, vision, joy, integrity, compassion, and peace, Spectrum will reach out to students of all backgrounds in creating a safer place to learn, live, and grow, regardless of their sexual orientation, gender identity, and gender expression.

Students Against Destructive Decisions (S.A.D.D.)
Advisor: Phyllis Dewey
The SADD (Students Against Destructive Decisions) Club is an award-winning club that has created a lot of fun activities for our students and our community. We try to create an awareness on campus by offering healthy, fun activities and serving our surrounding community with positive role modeling.

Student Athletic Advisory Club (S.A.A.C)
Advisor: Curt Campbell and Kelly Starchok
Hilbert College Athletics established a club for students active in the military, veterans, those who have friends and/or family members in the military, or are interested in the military. The club comes together to socialize, share stories, and carry out programs of interest.

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The Great Expectations club will hold its first meeting of the year on Thursday, Sept. 13 at 3:15 p.m. in Peczeny Hall, Room 139 (Honor’s Lounge). The club, which participates in various cultural activities, will be making plans for the fall semester. Last year the club attended several events at Shea’s Performing Arts Center, held a movie night, and traveled to Washington, D.C. In addition, the club participated in several community service projects.

The club is open to all students. If you’re interested in joining the club but are unable to attend the first meeting, please contact club president James Koszuta (jkoszuta@hilbert.edu) or club advisor Dr. Amy Smith (asmith@hilbert.edu).

Dr. Amy Smith
Club Advisor

The Great Expectations Club will be participating in the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society’s Light the Night Walk in Philadelphia on Friday, Sept. 28. This event is a walk around Delaware Park to raise money for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society and its efforts to support blood cancer research and patient aid and services. All faculty, staff, and students are invited to participate, either as walkers or by sponsoring a walker. Walkers can join the team at http://pages.lightthenight.org/wcn/Bufalol2/HilbertCollege, and donors can also make a contribution through the website or by contacting a team member. In addition, club members will be collecting donations on campus—keep an eye out for them in Bogel Hall.

Dr. Amy Smith
Club Advisor

Hilbert Bookstore’s Environmentally Friendly Shopping Bag Policy

by Heather Bello

As most readers are aware of Hilbert’s efforts to become environmentally friendly, the Hilbert College Bookstore, operated by Follett Higher Education Group, will be going eco-friendly in Fall 2012, as well! Students to the bookstore to buy course books, school supplies, and other merchandise. From now on the bookstore will only be giving shopping bags on request to reduce the environmental impact caused by disposable bags, to minimize waste, and to encourage students and customers to use reusable bags or their own back packs.

Bookstore manager Karen McKee said, “Many Hilbert students actively seek opportunities to reduce their environmental impact and this simple step can greatly contribute to individual and campus sustainability goals.” With this plan in motion we can prevent 3.5 million bags finding their way to landfills & waterways. If you are asking yourself if we are the only store doing this, be assured that 950 Follett stores in U.S. & Canada are participating in this new policy. Karen McKee also stated, “To ensure we continue to meet all our customer needs, the college book store will continue to have bags available, but we are confident the majority of our customers will support this sustainability effort.” So be sure to bring your reusable bags or back packs when shopping this semester!

Karen McKee
Bookstore Manager

S.A.D.D. Wins Campus Garden Challenge

by Heather Bello

In Spring, 2012, Students Against Destructive Decisions (S.A.D.D. Club) organized an all-campus event for Earth Day to beautify the campus. The club turned it into a challenge to get more involvement from other clubs and organizations on campus.

The judging took place on Apr. 2 by a panel of faculty and staff. S.A.D.D. took 1st place, with Hall Counsel in 2nd place. The S.A.D.D. Club worked on an outdoor space right outside of the Campus Center and St. Joe’s Hall. They added Adirondack chairs, a picnic table, a birdhouse, flowers, and a statue of St. Francis pouring from a pitcher. Hall Counsel did work out front and back of Trinity Hall. This Earth Day Challenge was sponsored by S.A.D.D. and the Student Government Association.

S.A.D.D.

S.A.D.D. Club holds its first meeting of the year on Thursday, Sept. 20. S.A.D.D. (Students Against Destructive Decisions) is an award-winning club.

We have a lot of fun and we enjoy creating campus and community projects.

S.A.D.D. Club Advisor

The SGA functions as your elected body, composed of student representatives from all major and minor disciplines. The SGA exists to represent your interests, your ideas to establish new clubs or organizations are welcomed and encouraged. Stop by the Student Government Association Office and pick up an “Application for Club Charter.”

by Stephanie Smith

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We offer a variety of services including tutoring, disability services, a student-only computer lab, and a nice place to hang out with friends.

We also have room enough for you and your friends to hang out in between classes, or to start your own study group. Academic Services is a nice central location on campus for you to gather. We welcome everyone to come in and make themselves at home in our friendly environment, and we are looking forward to seeing you often.

In addition to the campus ministry staff, local pastors from the Faith United Church of Christ have graciously offered to share their time with Hilbert students. They have scheduled hours from 3 to 6 p.m. on the first and third Wednesdays of the month here in and make themselves at home in our friendly environment, and we are looking forward to seeing you often.

There is also an opportunity to meet the pastors who are volunteering on a rotating basis. They will be having lunch in the dining hall on Wednesday, Sept. 5 at noon and would love to see you!

For additional information, contact Barbara in the Office of Campus Ministry–Bogel Hall, Room 103C, or at bonanno@hilbert.edu.

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Welcome to all for the Fall 2012 semester! The Student Records Office is here to help you.

We can print your schedule with updated classroom information. We can answer your questions regarding majors and minors.

The Student Records Office is located in Franciscan Hall, Room 103C.

Please note: The drop/add period ends Tuesday, Sept. 11, 2012.

Patricia T. Wilson
Student Records Clerk

Student Government Association (SGA) Advisor: Jeannie Kornacki

SGA represents the interests of the student body and encourages growth of self-government. It also promotes responsibility, loyalty, and cooperation among students with Hilbert faculty and administrative officers. The SGA functions through the Student Senate, which is an elected body, composed of four officers and representatives from each class. This body meets regularly about issues of concern to students and is responsible for the allocation of funds for student activities.

Students In Free Enterprise (SIFE) Advisor: Dan Roland

The mission of SIFE is “to provide college students the best opportunity to make a difference and to develop leadership, teamwork, and communication skills through learning, practicing, and teaching the principles of free enterprise.”

Note: If the clubs presented do not represent your interests, your ideas to establish new clubs or organizations are welcomed and encouraged.

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FINANCIAL AID CORNER
August 31, 2012

***Announcements from the Student Finance Office, Franciscan Hall***

DROP/ADD PERIOD ENDS 9/11/12 – The last day to change your course schedule (drop or add classes) is Tuesday, Sept. 11. Office Hours during the Drop/Add period are 8 a.m.-6:30 p.m. (except for Friday, 9/7/12, 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.).

BOOKSTORE CREDIT ENDS 9/14/12 – The last day to utilize bookstore credit (charge your textbooks against your financial aid credit balance) is Friday, Sept. 14.

COMPLETED FINANCIAL AID FILE – Financial aid cannot be applied to your student account until your financial aid file is complete. Please check with the Student Finance Office staff if you are unsure whether or not you owe any documentation to complete your file!

A VOID $50.00 LATE FEE – Be sure to make tuition payment arrangements by Tuesday, Sept. 11, to avoid a $50.00 late fee on your account!

OUTSIDE SCHOLARSHIPS – NEED MONEY $$$? Stop in periodically to the Student Finance Office and check out the availability of outside scholarships that may benefit YOU!

The Student Finance Office staff . . . is here for YOU!

Cindy Claar, Student Finance Technician, ext. 314
Kelly Canaski, Student Finance Counselor, ext. 277
Suna Combs, Student Finance Counselor, ext. 249
Elaine Szczepanski, Student Finance Counselor, ext. 308
Beverly Chudy, Director of Financial Aid, ext. 207
Julie Lanski, Director of Student Financial Services, ext. 208

Office Hours: Monday-Thursday, 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m.; Friday, 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
Telephone: (716) 649-7900

FEDERAL AID CHANGES FOR 2012-2013 ACADEMIC YEAR

Federal PELL Grant
Eligibility Changes: The maximum number of equivalent full-time semesters a student is eligible to receive a PELL Grant will drop to 12 semesters for all students.

Estimated Family Contribution (EFC) Changes: Students with an EFC of 4996 or higher will not be eligible for a PELL Grant for the 2012-13 academic year.

Changes Affecting Loans
Graduate Loans: Graduate students are no longer eligible for Federal Subsidized Loans for the aid period after July 1, 2012. All loan eligibility will be defined as an Unsubsidized Loan.

Interest Rates: The 2012-13 interest rate for undergraduate subsidized loans will be fixed at 3.4% upon entering the loan grace period. The unsubsidized loan interest rate will remain at a fixed 6.8% for undergraduate and graduate students.

Loan Fees: Loan fees are taken out of loans before funds are received. Fees for students’ Federal Stafford Loans (subsidized and unsubsidized) will increase to 1%. Fees for Federal Parent Plus Loans will increase to 4%.

Upon Graduation/Withdrawal or Below 6 Credit Hours: For loans made between July 1, 2012, and July 1, 2014 . . . interest will now accrue during the six-month grace period.

Auto Zero Calculation
Fewer Families With Zero EFC: The income threshold for calculating the Auto Zero Expected Family Contribution (EFC) will decrease from $31,000 to $23,000. This will result in fewer families automatically qualifying for a zero EFC.

Verification
IRS Tax Transcript: If you are selected for verification of your FAFSA, we can no longer accept copies of tax returns. You must request the IRS Tax Transcript or utilize the IRS Data Retrieval Tool through the FAFSA online.

ANY VOLUNTEERS?

We have PAID community service positions available through Hilbert College’s Federal Work-Study Community Service Initiative.

If you are looking for a position that will help your future career & look great on your résumé, please pick up an application at the front desk of the Student Finance Office located in Franciscan Hall.

Suna Combs
Student Finance Counselor

PRINT BYTES
Learning What You Need to Know

“Learning in symbolic form that the past can be mastered is as important as learning in dramatic form that your choices resonate; being brought up to speed is as important as being brought up to grade” (89).

OFFICES

THE COUNSELING CORNER
Welcome! We are looking forward to an exciting year ahead!

Counseling Center Programs:
The first six weeks - All "Passport" Events

- "Finding Your Place" September 7 12:15 p.m. St. Joe’s Lounge
- "Making New Friends" September 14 12:15 p.m. St. Joe’s Lounge
- "Getting Organized" September 21 12:15 p.m. St. Joe’s Lounge
- "Money Matters" September 28 12:15 p.m. St. Joe’s Lounge
- "Balancing Life" October 5 12:15 p.m. St. Joe’s Lounge
- "Creating Goals" October 12 12:15 p.m. St. Joe’s Lounge

These short workshops are a great way to get off to a good start. You will find them full of great ideas to help you get connected, stay healthy, and experience a positive beginning to your campus life.

Pause... Relax...

The Counseling Center offers a comfortable, safe environment where all concerns are treated with dignity and respect. No personal conflict or concern is considered too great or too small – and confidentiality is our top priority!

Please stop by the center to meet the staff so that when you need us, you will know where we are located and you will feel more comfortable visiting us.

We are here to help...

The Counseling Center
Phyllis Dewey, Director
St. Joseph’s Hall
Monday-Thursday, 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m.
Friday, 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
(Any time by appointment)

PHOTO GALLERY

“An Evening: Hilbert College Celebrates the Roaring ’20s,” a vintage car show fundraiser on Aug. 21 at Hilbert College, supporting student scholarships and featuring the award-winning car collections of the Gernatt and Gacioch families, with approximately 80 friends, board members, staff, and faculty of the college attending.

STUDENTS SELECTED FOR LAW & CAREER PROGRAMS

by Emili Ripley

Jerrell Mason participated in the U.B. Law School Undergraduate Scholars Program this summer. He is the first Hilbert College student to be involved in this program. It was co-sponsored by UB Law School, Community Foundation of Buffalo, and the Minority Bar Association of WNY.

Rosemarie Schuster, Forensic Science/CSI major, and Matthew Williams, criminal justice major, were both accepted into the Student Career Experience Program at the U.S. Customs and Border Agency in Buffalo. They received two of the three positions available in WNY.

HILBERT STUDENT RECEIVES PARALEGAL SCHOLARSHIP

by Cecilia Chmurzinski

The Western New York Paralegal Association presented Hilbert student Anna Sims of Manlius with a $500 scholarship at the association's annual dinner this past summer. Sims is an honors student who is pursuing a bachelor's degree in paralegal studies.

The scholarship is presented each semester to a local paralegal student enrolled in the bachelor-level program based on academic standing and financial need. Congratulations to Anna Sims and her accomplishments and many wishes on her future endeavors!

ACCOUNTING SCHOLARSHIPS FROM STATEWIDE ORGANIZATION

by Emili Ripley

A few accounting majors at Hilbert have gone above and beyond to be noticed in the accounting world. Adam Clabo and Jeffrey Ritter have received 2012 Excellence in Accounting Scholarships from the NYS Society of Certified Public Accountants and its Foundation for Accounting Education (FAE). Each student will be receiving $2,500 for the 2012-2013 school year. Only 51 other New York residents were recipients of this scholarship.

The $2,500 scholarships for the 2012-13 academic year are awarded to accounting majors who have achieved an overall cumulative grade point average of 3.0 or higher and are eligible for financial aid.

FAE has dedicated campus liaisons at 47 colleges in New York State to help identify students eligible for these scholarships, which are awarded to provide financial assistance and encouragement to accounting majors. “The Foundation for Accounting Education takes great pride in awarding these scholarships to truly deserving students in an effort to support their educational goals,” said FAE President John Kearney. “By encouraging top-level students to enter the field of accounting, we hope to strengthen the profession as a whole.” Congratulations to Adam and Jeff!
Earth-Day Challenge: S.A.D.D. Club Spruces Up Outdoor Campus Space, as Depicted with Adirondack Chairs, a Picnic Table, & a Birdhouse

Earth-Day Challenge: S.A.D.D. Club Also Includes Unique St. Francis of Assisi Statue Pouring From a Pitcher

Memorial Miles Runners Take Their Stance at Course's Start Line for Race Through Hilbert Campus & Surrounding Hamburg Neighborhood

The Kenya Krew with the Girls from Hekima Place

From left, Katie Newton, Kayla Silver, Amber Bailey, Dr. Lisamarie Bensman, Samantha Sieg, & Alexis Clune with Children From Mwandaza School

Marjorie Sanders with Children From the School

From Left, Alexis Clune & Melinda Manzella Teach the Children a Dance
IS SHAKEPEARE COOL OR WHAT?

by Bernadine De Mike

Is that the bard I hear rolling around in his grave or is it his rollicking laughter? Who could have imagined that Shakespeare's famous comedy Twelfth Night could marry reggae and rock with medieval minstrels? It's certain that director Des McAnuff, a dramatic genius, realized theater must transcend time and place to delight today's audiences, maintaining the classics with a freshness that stuns, surprises, and totally inspires the human soul.

This production in particular had the total audience, consisting of dozens of students as well as avid theater-goers, toe-tapping, clapping, swaying in their seats and laughing hysterically at mock-sword fights, clever quips, eye-popping cinematography. The lavish wardrobe, on the other hand, was as gaudy and sparkle-encrusted as one can imagine. Contrast? Perfect!

One is warned that the perplexing plot will twist and turn, with troubles and misleading turns; however, we are immediately set at ease with dialogue that explains all, developing in the audience's mind a complete understanding of a topsy-turvy situation. It is difficult to think each other is dead, of a beautiful girl who must disguise herself as a man, and who, exactly is in love with whom?

TO RE-RELEASE OR TO REMAKE?

by Tori Felser

Yesterday, I sat in a theater at Regal Quaker Crossing, waiting for The Lion King in 3D to begin, and I could not help thinking back fifteen years to a time when I was five years old, sitting in a red-cushioned chair, waiting in extreme anticipation to see the movie I had begun to watch. As this thought dawned on me, I not only reflected on the idea of how old I must be to see this movie both when it was originally released, but also how truly amazing a film must be to remember seeing it when you were only five years old.

The way I see it, there are two ways to be certain that a film is great: one, you can pinpoint the exact moment you first saw the film and, in a sense, the film literally leaves an imprint in both your memory and even your life. You remember how old you were, whom you were with, and where you were when you first saw it. Or, you never remember a time in which the film was not part of your life. Some films are so significant that they are never a time in your life when you were not watching it. These characters have become best friends, with whom you have fallen in love with, traveled with, and even spoken with, as you can remember by heart the lines and dialogue from the film, recited on countless occasions. It is very difficult to say how much this is helpful, but both become indicative of representing truly amazing and classic films.

With this thought in mind, I could not help contemplating about my growing frustration with the recent bombardment of recycled films: The Karate Kid, Dirty Dancing, Footloose, About Last Night, and Grease... all films that hold a cherished place in my heart and are significant in one of the ways I originally discussed. These classics in my mind are being ripped to shreds by the film industry and for what reason? To make more money!

All these films have become iconic pop culture films, which have been re-released half a dozen times, and continue to make the film industry millions of dollars. Why can’t this be enough?

The reason why we love these films is for their originality! Their ability to take chances and give audiences story lines that have not been done before! By remaking these films we are taking away their imagination and brilliance. It is as simple as that, not to mention characters that cannot be replaced by other

JOURNALISM WRITING CONTEST WINNERS (2011-12)

Felser's film article "To Re-release or to Remake: That Is the Question"; and in third place, Lisa Gibson's article on airline flight crew "Commuter." Thanks to our panel of judges for these contest results: Dr. Anthony Hughes, chair; Katie Donahue, & Herb Kauderer.

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COMMUTER

by Lisa Gibson

On average, statistics that approximately forty percent of flight crew members do not live in their “city” in which they report for airline duty at that city’s airport. So, with that alone, since one has given time hundreds of flight attendants and pilots are boarding a plane as passengers and in their own airline seat with other committer members, because these crew members themselves are committing to work from the city in which they actually live—to get to their “base”—and then to their city’s airport for their airline duty that day. You thinking commuting to work by train, bus, or car is bad? It is a whole different feeling by air. Depending on what time of year, it can be a very unpleasant experience, and even on a good day, it is not fun. For instance, I report to work out of Washington, D.C. (my base), but commute by train to Buffalo, New York (my home), to get there. Sound easy? Guess again! Here is what a particular bad day looks like.

Because we are getting pounded with snow in Western New York, I wake up at 2:45 a.m., ensuring I am giving myself enough time to make the trip to Buffalo airport. I shower, get dressed, and I’m on my way around 4 a.m. and must be at the airport to check in for my flight at 5 a.m. for a 5:40 a.m. departure to get to Washington, D.C., to report for work. Granted, I live only about twenty-five minutes from the Buffalo airport employee park-

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The staking, with four marble-covered boxes used as movable props, is one of the cleverest tricks for playing to an almost circular audience by placing them in various stacks and seating arrangements. The most outlandish effects, however, included the mobile driving units, entering from upstage center, rolling in a cast of characters and sliding in a full-scale bar for the drinking crowd, complete with a “pizza delivery,” and appeal bringing bowls of hysterical laughter from the surprised crowd.

A personal highlight for me, since I direct child and adult actors alike from time to time, was the amazing portrayal of Toby, of a bINGdrinking knight- errant, by famous stage and screen actor Brian Dennehy. His acting, so amazing, had me awestruck throughout the production. The never-ending expressions of face, body language, eyebrows, mouth, tongue, and that heavenly smile sent me backstage begging for photos (which he so kindly portrayed with and even your life. You remember how old you were, whom you were with, and where you were when you first saw it. Or, you never remember a time in which the film was not part of your life. Some films are so significant that it seems that there was
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The Kenya Krew

by Alexis Clune

Nobody knew what to expect. In just a short year the idea of a class trip to Kenya, Africa, evolved into the great reality of our plane landing in the Nairobi airport after a total of seventeen hours flying. A book could be written on all the experiences I had, all the people I met, and all the lessons I learned. However, I feel the need to share the impression that Kenya left on me—hope! If someone wants to find hope, one can look at the entire youth of Kenyan society. We had the chance to help build a kitchen at a very impoverished school, which serves children aged five to twelve. These children could not even afford shoes, much less books and school supplies, yet here they were, day after day, attending school. These children were ecstatic to see us, and let me tell you there was no shortage of laughter at that school any of the days we were there.

With having almost nothing, these children were living for the hope of something better. I saw hope not only in the children of Kenya, but in every Kenyan we met. While in Africa we were under the supervision and leadership of two men named Joel and George. They were part of an organization called Touch Africa International. They started this company to bring those who want to give aid to Kenya the opportunity to make a difference. They told us multiple times how they want to improve Kenya. They want Kenya to step into the future with the rest of the world. They love to see business grow and technology advance in their own country and know things are only looking up.

There are many others who have ideals similar to George and Joel’s. We even had the chance to meet with a man who was so passionate about bringing Kenya to life and teaching others how to grow and produce crops. There is so much hope for advancement and improvement. Much can be said about our trip to Kenya. I feel that it changed my life for the better. I saw how the other half lives. It makes our petty issues in America seem so silly. Once you see a child whose feet are so infected simply because his family cannot afford to buy shoes, you know that if, one will return one day and continue to give aid to those in need. The simple things can make the biggest difference.

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to them as their base. Whatever the reason, one is put in a very difficult situation in a forever changing industry. Today, you may live at your base and tomorrow you could find yourself commuting. It is the nature of the business. Airline administrators understand, for the most part, that many do not have a choice but to commute. But company officials do expect their employees to show up for work on time, legal and ready to fly, and sometimes that can be a real challenge. Thankfully our union and company have agreed to a commuter policy. A commuter policy provides written protection that says crew members who follow certain rules will be forgiven up to two times in a six-month period if they fail to report to work twice owing to commuting problems. Crew members must get themselves listed on at least two flights within a six-month period, meaning they must spend at least forty-eight hours in advance, to position themselves with respect to their base for their respective assignments.

Even with this policy in effect, it is very dreadful, constantly worrying if one is going to make it work to work on any given day. Sure, if one cannot get there and has not exceeded two failures to report on time in six months, the consequences are not quite as bad as the big deal is. The fact remains that not only will airline crew members have to continue to get to their base on time in the future, but it is time-consuming and they are losing money at the same time.

So next time, when you are traveling and complaining about being delayed for an hour, think what it is like in your crew’s shoes, given all the possibilities that could have gone wrong from the very start of the day, and feel blessed that your flight did not get cancelled because the weather was too bad, or that your company did not have other employees to cover their shift. It could happen—and does.

Kenya: An Unforgettable Experience
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Putting in a cement walkway and putting down cement floors in one of the classrooms so that the children would avoid exposure to “jiggers,” small insects that burrow into the skin. Another project that we helped out was the building of a kitchen for the children so that they would be able to have lunches at school. The project was very valuable because, in many parts of Africa, a school lunch might be the only meal that they have for the day. The donations from our friends, families, and our Hilbert community helped to pay for the supplies needed to complete these tasks. Also, the clothing donations and any supplies donated to us were given to the children at the school and to the children at Hekima Place, which is the second location at which we volunteered.

Hekima Place is an orphanage for girls started by an American woman named Kate Fletcher. While there, we helped out with the garden and daily tasks. We helped the girls with homework and spent quality time with them. At Hekima Place we provided more of an emotional impact rather than making a physical change as we did in Kaloleni. We even had the chance to give love to the girls, and they appreciated it very much.

In between projects we did our fair share of souvenir shopping, sightseeing, and visiting the historic locations. We learned about the history and culture of different tribes and experienced their way of life. I thought that our visit to the Maasai Village was very interesting and found out to some of the differences in their way of life versus what we saw in Kaloleni. We got to see how the children in Kaloleni lived when we were taken out on house visits. This was a very different experience for me and it definitely hit home. It made me think about my life and how real the poverty issue is in Africa. Someday, I hope to sponsor one of these children and try to make a long-term difference in his or her life.

This trip had a dramatic impact on me and has altered my view of many things. It is an experience that I will never forget and I hope to return to Kenya someday in the future.
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living in Africa, it is

money to pay teachers

or hire more help. The

teachers would write

lessons on the board

and leave the class to

work by themselves until

they could return. While

the teachers worked very

hard, there was no time

for one-on-one with the

students or to review

lessons or to get to know

the learning styles and

habits of the children.

One thing that dis-

pleased me greatly about

the education in Kenya

was how the teachers and

students reacted when a

child gave an incorrect

answer. Instead of nurtur-

ing the child or helping

him or her find the right

answer, everyone in the

vicinity would laugh at

the student until someone

else shouted out the cor-

rect answer. I do not think

this creates an environ-

ment conducive to learn-

ing. I also think that if it

happened repeatedly, a

child would eventually

begin to dis-

like school, learning,

and trying to answer ques-

tions.

Kenyan education

to flourish in small

towns and villages like

Kaloleni, trained teach-

ers need to be welcomed

to the schools to work

with the students and

help train other teachers.

I enjoyed my experi-

ence in Kenya greatly

but was slightly disap-

pointed at the educa-

tion. I know that only a

combination of time (in

years), money, and ef-

fort can begin to change

the system, but I do not

think that it is a mis-

sion impossible.

This trip put what re-

ally matters in life into

perspective and it made

me much more grate-

ful for my life and the

blessings I have been

given. I now only get

what I need rather than

what I want because

wanting something and

having the ability to get

it is a luxury in itself.

I recommend to ev-

everyone to go to Africa

someday, given the op-

portunity, because it

will, without a doubt,

be life-changing. While

I return to my life here

in Western New York, I

will keep in mind a quo-

tation by Eckhart Tolle,

“Doing is never enough

if you neglect being.”

A LIFE-CHANGING TRIP

by Melinda Manzella

“Actions speak louder than words” is some-

thing that everyone has heard and most can

agree with, including myself. Giving back to

those in need, whether it is simply a money

donation, old clothing donations, or one’s pre-

cious time (which we all could use more of) are

all ways that our actions are louder than words.

When the trip to Kenya came to my attention

in the first class of my first semester at Hilbert,

I knew that an oppor-

tunity to go has never come again, and I had to go or I knew I

would miss out.

Along with the trip, I took a class that taught

me about Kenyan his-


tory, culture, the peo-

ple, their traditions, and

what to expect while

there. The class was

very beneficial to me in

those ways, as well as

ways that I did not think

I would benefit from.

For example, before we

went, we were asked to

think of what our expecta-

tions and our fears would be before going and then while we

were there, we talked about whether our ex-

pectations were met and whether our fears came

into play. My fears in-

cluded getting sick from

the food, getting bug

bites, missing home, and

having a language barrier between myself and

those I met.

The food was amazing,

the bugs did not bother

me nearly as much as I

thought they would, and

I did miss home sometimes as anyone would, but it did not

hold me back from any-

thing. The language bar-

rier was barely there

because most people I

met, including chil-

dren, were bilingual

and could speak English

domestically. Even if there

was a language barrier,

that kind of cultural ex-

perience was something

that I had never experienced before, so I don’t look

at it as something that

held me back from the

fulfillment of the trip.

For myself, I had the

expectations of build-

ing relationships with the men, women, and

children whom I came into contact with and that happened almost

instantly. The amount of

love that project-

ed from the people of Kenya was what made the trip so worthwhile

to me. Everyone was

welcoming and eager to

build a relationship with us as well, which made me feel

comfortable for all of us.

Going through what

I wrote in my assign-

ment for my expecta-

tions prior to leaving, I

wrote, “My expecta-

tions for this trip are

to feel completely dif-

ferent about the life

I live now, compared to when I arrive home three weeks later.”

Seeing commercials on

television as we all do of

starving children who

need our help is heart-

wrenching even while we

are sitting in our air-

conditioned homes with

a clean glass of water before getting

into our warm, comfort-

able houses. Being in the

presence of those children

with their families, showing us where they

live and where they

sleep and how they get

day to day, changed my

life. It was such a

challenge for me to see

how they live and the struggles they face
every single day, while I complain that I have to

give up money to buy gas $3.79 a gallon. The differ-

ence between these two

countries on the same

planet is mind-blowing.

Their homes are made

of mud and sticks, their

roofs are coconut tree

leaves, and their beds,

if they have any, are not even a half an inch

thick, lying on the mud

floor with all sorts of bugs.
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A faculty member at Hilbert since 1996, this marks the third time Sisti has been selected for a Faculty Excel- lence Award, having previously received a 2009 Excellence in Service Award and her first Teaching Award in 2004. In addition to her dedication to teaching, for the past 30 years, Sisti has been an advocate for domestic violence victims, a commitment for which she was recognized with the 2009 William B. Hoyt Award from the Erie County Coalition Against Fam- ily Violence. That same year she received the William B. Hoyt Advo- cacy Award from Child & Family Services of Erie County and was named Social Worker of the Year by the Western Division of the National Association of Social Workers New York State Chapter. A member of the Na- tional Association of Social Workers, Sisti, a Buffalo resident, has been a speaker on do- mestic violence and batter- er intervention, foster care, and related topics at several conferences and workshops.

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OUT & ABOUT IN THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE STUDIES DIVISION

Criminal Justice Studies Division honors its 2012 CO-AUTHOR CHAPTER OF BOOK

PROFESSORS

The H-Files would like to recognize two faculty members on their outstanding accomplishments.

Professor Linda Bernstein, business administration, and Dr. Martin Floss, chair of the master’s degree in the crimi- nal justice administration program, co-authored a chapter in the book Contemporary Issues in Crim- inal Justice: A Research Based Introduction. Their chapter is entitled “Examining the Quality and Effectiveness of a County Juvenile Treat- ment (Drug) Court.” The publication will support the studies of students and educators in the field. Congratulations on this wonderful accomplish- ment!

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Active in the Western New York community, Smith has been a volunteer counselor for 25 years at Camp Good Days and Special Times, which has recognized her many years of service at its annual gala event. She has coordinated several efforts at Hilbert to support the many children and families served by the organization. Smith also is a volunteer in the Birthday Squad of Buffalo, which hosts monthly birthday parties for children residing in the city’s homeless facilities, and volunteers in Hospice Buffalo’s children bereavement programs. In addition to teaching English at Hilbert, she is director of the college’s Honors Program and chairperson of the Arts and Sciences Division, a post she was appointed to this academic year. Smith is a member of the American Studies Association, Modern Language Association, Society for the Study of Multi-Ethnic Literature of the United States, and the Society for the Study of Narrative Literature.

A Lancaster resident, she earned doctorate and master’s degrees in English from UB, and a bachelor’s degree in English from Allegheny College.

Paula Witherell
Director, Public Relations

ACADEMIC HONORS

HILBERT STUDENTS EARN ACADEMIC HONORS

Note: Hilbert College Class of 2012 graduates who earned spring academic honors were included in a separate news article on academic honors for graduating seniors (pages 7-8).

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ALDEN: Robert Rimbeck, Jr., Alyssa Szwarz, and Jaymison Walter
AMHERST: Matthew Brown, Shannon Connor, Aaron Dinderski, Katy Morawski, and Carol Powell
ANGOLA: Rebecca Kozminsky, Annilee Otrochta, and Jessica Wright
ARKPORT: Julie Rossard
ATTICA: Dana Dequaine
AUBURN: Lea Church
AVON: Thomas Mignemi and Joshua Walsh-Steines
BARKER: Nicole Estep
BATAVIA: Rachael Cook and Katie Newton
BEVER DAMS: Kymberlee Schuffer
BLASDELL: Scott Bapst, Erika Caldarella, Jessica Grotke, Kevin Knezevic, Jesse Kublas, Sarah McDonough, Jonathan O’Dell, Jeffrey Ritter, Marjorie Sanders, Taylor Schulz, Rosemarie Schuster, Jelena Siljak, and Emina Siljak
BOSTON: Brett Connors, David Grapes, and Victoria Kough
CADYVILLE: Robbi Bailey
CAMDEN: Brittany Correia
CAMILLUS: Emily Deragon
CAMPBELL: Adam Matula
CHAFFEE: Nina Pierino
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CHURCHVILLE: Katherine Pettis
CLARENCE CENTER: Sydney Curtis and Victoria Ernst
COLDEN: Jason Wattles
COLLINS: Andrea Andolek and James Hotnich
CORNING: Ryan Brewster
DARIEN CENTER: John Wallace
DEPEW: Amber Grosch, Tiffany Seger, and Kara Silvestri
DERBY: Caitlyn Jacob, Sarah Laraiso, Laura Lopez, Chantelle Mikolajczak, and Kevin Pfeiffer
EAGLE RIVER, Alaska: Deana Tolleson
EAST AURORA: Samantha Fetzer, Justine Jackson, Sarah Jentsch, James Koszuta, Leo Kull, and Katrina Matthewson
EAST CONCORD: Tiara Heintz
EAST OAKFIELD: Teresa Adams
EDEN: Stephen Cronmiller, Meghann Livezeci, Cord Polzin, Rina Rachinger, William Rogers, Frederick Sickau, Kathryn Suchan, and Rebecca Sutton
ELBA: Gianni Zambito
ELMA: Andrew Bosch, Shawn Cronmiller, Molly Erickson, Betty Erickson, Matthew Jacobs, Jeffrey Krajewski, Lisa Mast, and Douglas Takac
FORESTVILLE: Jonathan Shain and Sarah Tubbs
FORT IRWIN, Calif.: Stephen Lee
FREDONIA: David Kramer, Misty-Lin Puleo, and Emily Remington
FRESH MEADOWS: Trevor Stark
FRESNOSBURG: Jonathan Hulbert
GLENWOOD: Megan Jarecki
GLOVERSVILLE: Jessica Morey

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Academic Honors

GOWANDA: Shane Miller

HAMBURG: Amanda Alba, Jessica Anderhalt, Ashley Blahowicz, Nicole Blair, Catherine Cavaretta, Michael Ciaravino, Paul Coleman, Nicholas Colucci, Alicia Devlin, Amber Dipalma, Elizabeth Durrett-Goodison, Jessica Eggleston, Stacy Granica, Elizabeth Hallman, Colin Howard, Carl Jackson, Christopher Jackson, LeeAnn Kling, Mark McDonnell, Katelin Milliman, Edward Minkel, Shane Olivier, Jamie Omerhodzic, Brandi Pacyon, Diane Patton, Ryan Preziosi, Caitlin Queen, Nicole Rinn, Rachel Rush, Kelley Salerno, Savannah Sanders, Julia Serenka, Stephanie Smith, Zachary Snellings, David Swiech, Kimberly Thome, Nicholas Tuttle, Cameron Volz, Emily Wannop, and Alicia Wildman

HAMMONDSPORT: Kateland Ball

HENRIETTA: Brittany Hancy

HOLLAND: Michal Sokolowski

HORNEILL: Brittany Aumick

IRVING: Jenah Labuski

IRVING: Lance Cooper

KENMORE: Kyle Brandel and Nicole Meldrum

KENMORE: Whitney Goon

KERSEY: Justin Longhi

LACKAWANNA: Maria Linares, Andrea Robel, Richard Sikorski, and Zachary Ziemek

LEWISTON: Nichole Genga

LINDELE: Matthew Clark

LOCKPORT: Daniel Duzy, James Knapp, Corrie Thoman, and Natalie Whitman

LINDLEY: Anna Sims

LINDLEY: Matthew Clark

MARILLA: Jennifer Grzeskiewicz and Adam Haker

MOUNT MORRIS: Megan Van Norman

NEW BERN: Amber Bailey

NEW YORK: Heather Bello

NIAGARA FALLS: Marissa DiCamillo, Cameron Haag, Dana Patterson, and Alanna Stecura

NORTH COHOCTON: Tiana Cheasman

NORTH COLLINS: Yesenia Pagan, Mia Stoll, Tyler Loretto, Megan Prime, Matthew Swan, Mark Trask, and Caolan Voss

NORTH TONAWANDA: Jennifer Brock, Marissa Carvalho, Mitchell Milbrand

OIL CITY, Pa.: Timothy Staub


PENFIELD: Jordan Botsford

PENDYAN: Kaili Meyers

PERU: Rachel Collier

PITTSFORD: Kristina Levin

RANSOMVILLE: Marylynn Aaron, Marissa Clement, Sarah Messer, and Kelly O’Keefe

ROCHESTER: Rebecca Elenosky, Sarah Schmidt, Ryan Sheehan, and Dana Staar

SCH: Halsey Baker

SINCLAIRVILLE: Kira Seiberg

SLOAN: Joshua Anderson and Melissa Schultz

SNYDER: Madison Butler

SODUS: Breana Cline

SOUTH DAYTON: Cody Troutman

SOUTH WALES: Christopher Marshall

STOW, Ohio: Adam Weaver

STRYKERSVILLE: Heather Heineman

TONAWANDA: Anthony Bishop, Justin Bishop, Angelina Cannizzaro, Alexis Clune, Tyler Comiglio, Chad Damiani, Spencer Forbes, Jason Klosterman, Timothy Melber, Joseph Pernick, and Loretta Young

UTICA: Samantha Gerstner and Zaunia Green

VERONA: Kayla Johnson

WATERFORD: Nathaniel Relyea

WEBSTER: John Baboci and Kristina Keele


WILLIAMSVILLE: Bayle Cruz and Brittany Oattes

WILSON: Patricia Myers

Sports

MEN’S BASKETBALL SEARCHING FOR STUDENT-ASSISTANT

The Hilbert College men’s basketball team is searching for a highly motivated student to serve as a volunteer student-assistant for the program for the 2012-13 season. The selected individual must possess strong organizational skills, be of good moral character, and have a somewhat flexible schedule in order to attend practices and games, and have a commitment to serve as a volunteer student-assistant when needed.

Anyone interested is encouraged to stop by the men’s basketball office in Room 112 of the Hafner Recreation Center, or contact head coach Rob deGrandpre at (716) 926-8803 or rdegrandpre@hilbert.edu.
I had the opportunity to set aside some time over the summer to see the film *Prometheus*. Directed by Ridley Scott, *Prometheus* is a sci-fi horror movie packed with action and drama. This movie had my attention from beginning to end. *Prometheus* is staged in the future of 2093. The central theme of the movie is space exploration, but even more than that, it offers a fictional version of where we came from, based on the similarity of cave markings by mysterious “engineers” in different parts of the world, pointing to a moon in another solar system. In response, two scientists, Elizabeth Shaw (played by Noomi Rapace) and Charlie Holloway (Logan Marshall-Green), have convinced Weyland Industries to fund a space expedition to this planet on a spaceship called Prometheus. The purpose of the expedition is to accept the supposed “invitation” of the engineers, the alleged architects of mankind.

After a two-year journey to their destination, a dismal planet having some similarities with earth, the crew performs their job. Not long after arriving on the planet and making several discoveries, they realize that matters are not as they appear. The engineers, originally thought to have provided benignly the beginning of human existence, are now suspected to be the harbinger of death to those on Earth.

Typical of *Alien* movies, one of the ship’s crew, David (Michael Fassbender), is an android. Seemingly harmless, he turns out to be one of the most twisted characters in the whole movie. At the outset, while the rest of the crew is in hypersleep during the long voyage, he serves as the lone pilot of the Prometheus exploration vessel. During that time, he watches movies, learns new languages, and shoots baskets while riding a bike. Only when the awakened crew is briefed do we find out that David is not human. Eventually we get to know that Weyland Industries, represented on board in the person of the steely-eyed Meredith Vickers (Charlize Theron), has its own ulterior motive for financing the voyage. But before that, the crew, after landing, will face many lethal challenges. To say more would be to offer up too many spoilers.

The director keeps you in the dark throughout the whole movie. There is no guessing the next move, because it is hidden until it is time for it to be revealed. The characters’ storyline fits well with the plot of the movie—David the intriguer, Elizabeth the survivalist, and the rest of the cast in their supporting roles.

At first I was unaware of *Prometheus* being a kind of prequel to the *Alien* movies. I definitely recommend this film and look forward to another well-scripted *Prometheus* movie in the future, because the current film allows for that possibility. So, if you haven’t already, take the time to see this dramatic sci-fi film, which is sure to be a classic just like *Alien*. 
SPORTS

**MILITELLO NAMED AMCC PLAYER OF THE WEEK**

Senior Matt Militello (Depew, NY/Lancaster) was named as the Allegheny Mountain Collegiate Conference’s baseball Player of the Week starting Apr. 23. Militello finished the week going seven for 12 (.583), scoring seven and knocking in two runs as the Hawks went 1-3 in two double-headers. Militello further displayed his batting prowess by hitting the cycle for the week, recording three doubles, one triple, and one home run, while striking out just twice.

“Mili” moved down in the batting order and found his groove right out of the gate. He opened against Medaille with a first-pitch home run, as the Hawks went on to split with the Mavericks Apr. 17. Then, three days later, Militello’s .714 hitting led the Hawks against Greensburg. The center fielder finished with five hits and scored five runs in the team’s 7-4 and 18-8 defeat.

At the time of this writing, Militello held onto the top slot with 151 career hits for Hilbert.

Collier, a Peru, NY, native, led the Hawks with a .483 batting average and with a .551 on-base percentage with only four strikeouts through 60 at-bats. She finished tied for fourth on the team with 29 hits and tied for first on the team with nine walks. She had a .600 average with runners in scoring position and a .675 success rate of advancing runners. Her .963 fielding percentage (only three errors) and 72 putouts placed her second on the team, directly behind the Hawks’ starting catcher.

Hilbert, under first-year head coach Lisa Baker, finished the 2012 campaign with an improved 8-19 overall record with a 4-14 AMCC year.

"Another Hit for Senior Matt Militello"

**COLLIER NAMED TO AMCC ALL-CONFERENCE SOFTBALL TEAM**

Hilbert College’s Rachel Collier was named a 2012 Allegheny Mountain Collegiate Conference (AMCC) All-Conference selection. Collier landed on the third team after a successful first year, offensively pacing the Hawks at the plate and defensively from first base. Ashley Gruber (Penn State Behrend) and Jalisa Westover (Mount Aloysius) were named Co-Players of the Year, while Kelly Chambers (Penn State Altoona) grabbed the Newcomer of the Year award. D’Youville’s Hannah Norton, for the second time in two years, was honored as the AMCC Pitcher of the Year, and Penn State Behrend’s Stacy Pondo was once again selected as the AMCC Coach of the Year, her third selection in eight seasons.

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**2012 MEN’S & WOMEN’S CROSS COUNTRY SCHEDULE**

**2012 GOLF SCHEDULE**

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<td>Andy Dvornski (2nd year) 716-926-8917 <a href="mailto:advornski@hilbert.edu">advornski@hilbert.edu</a></td>
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The Athletics Department at Hilbert College is pleased to announce that the 4th annual Meghan Memorial Invitational cross country race date has been set. Coaches Geoff Brunger and Susan Devlin are coordinating the 5K Sept. 22, 2012, race at Frontier High School and they invite the local racing community to participate.

Top overall male and female finishers in the College and Open divisions will receive a long-sleeve moisture-management shirt and second- through tenth-place college division runners will be awarded a short-sleeve tee-shirt.

In 2008, Meghan Sorbera’s life was tragically cut short during her sophomore year at Hilbert College. She participated in the cross country program her freshman year and was a great competitor and teammate. As a way to honor her love for running and to celebrate her favorite time of the year, the cross country program hosts an annual Meghan Memorial Invitational race.

As a reminder, each student-athlete who intends on participating in Division III athletics at Hilbert College must attend a mandatory NCAA and Hilbert College compliance meeting. All athletes must have documentation of a physical from their primary care physician and a completed Pre-Participation Physical Form with them at their predetermined mandatory meeting, which is listed below. This form can be found on Hilbert’s website: http://www.hilbert.edu/athletics/sports-medicine.

Fall sport athletes have these dates/locations reserved:
- Sunday, Aug. 19, 2012, in Bogel 101 at 4 p.m.: M/W Soccer;
- W Volleyball and Golf.
- Monday, Aug. 27, 2012, in the Hafler Recreation Center’s Conference Room at 10 a.m.: men’s and women’s cross country.

For all other athletes (in baseball, M/W basketball, M/W lacrosse, softball, M volleyball), two dates have been selected in an effort to accommodate everyone’s schedules.

Friday, Sept. 7, 2012, in Bogel 101 at 10 a.m.;
Friday, Sept. 14, 2012, in Bogel 101 at 10 a.m.
Contact Kelly Starchok with any questions or concerns at kstarchok@hilbert.edu or 926-8797.

Sean Purtill was the top two spots in several offensive categories in men’s lacrosse, as the Hawks went 3-4 in April. The sophomore led Hilbert with 27 points (15 goals), and 64 shots (41 on goal) during the last month of the season just as the Hawks were fighting for a play-off spot in their first season of competition in the North Eastern Athletic Conference. As one of only four players to start all seven games in April, Purtill led the Hawks in goals scored on three occasions. He netted five goals (three assists) in the 13-7 victory over SUNYIT; scored four goals against Thiel (16-5 win); and led the Hawks with three goals in the 15-9 loss to cross-town rival Medaille. For the season, Purtill led the team in points (41), goals and assists (25/18), and shots/shots on goal (95/60).

Purtill is pursuing a business administration degree and carries a 3.07 grade point average.
2012 MEN’S SOCCER SCHEDULE

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* Allegheny Mountain Collegiate Conference Games

AMCC double-header soccer games: women followed by men

Head Coach: Jeff Panik (2nd year) 716-926-8796
jpanik@hilbert.edu

2012 WOMEN’S SOCCER SCHEDULE

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* Allegheny Mountain Collegiate Conference Games

With double-header soccer games, women followed by men

Head Coach: Kelly Starchok (2nd year) 716-926-8797
kstarchok@hilbert.edu

2012 WOMEN’S VOLLEYBALL SCHEDULE

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* Allegheny Mountain Collegiate Conference Games

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alogue@hilbert.edu

MEN’S VOLLEYBALL EARNs TEAM PEAK PERFORMER AWARD

The Allegheny Mountain Collegiate Conference recognizes the winners of the winter and spring season Team Peak Performer Awards. This is a new awards program for the AMCC and was established as a way to focus greater attention on the fine collective academic accomplishments of its many teams. There is one team honoree selected for every AMCC championship sport, with the winners possessing the highest cumulative grade point average in their particular program. For winter and spring sports, that GPA was determined at the conclusion of the spring semester. Hilbert captured the men’s volleyball team award with a spring season grade point average of 3.25.

After a quick scan of the award-winners from all fifteen AMCC championship sport teams, the Hilbert women’s soccer team earned the highest cumulative GPA within the women’s soccer league, posting a 3.58.

2011-12 AMCC Peak Performer Award-Winners

Women’s Soccer Scores Second Highest in League

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After a quick scan of the award-winners from all fifteen AMCC championship sport teams, the Hilbert women’s soccer team earned the second highest grade point average, falling one one-hundredth of a point behind the women’s cross country team from D’Youville, who finished with a 3.59.

Office of Sports Information
FOUR BASEBALL PLAYERS RECEIVE POST-SEASON HONORS

First Time Hilbert Team Is Recognized

Hilbert’s Nick Sherman was named the Pitcher of the Year (First Team All-Conference), while Pitt-Bradford’s second baseman Derek Smith garnered Player of the Year honors from the Allegheny Mountain Collegiate Conference this week. La Roche College’s Brian Tough earned Newcomer of the Year recognition and his coach, Chase Rowe, was named Coach of the Year for the second consecutive season. Also named to an All-Conference Team from Hilbert were junior Chris Hoak (First Team), Matt Militello (Second Team), and Jim Pernick (Third Team). This marks the first time that any Hilbert College varsity team has had four players voted to an All-Conference team in one season. Sherman led the AMCC with complete games pitched (five), making nine appearances on the mound and finished 4-5 in league games. He blew away opposing pitchers with his 49 innings pitched (38 strikeouts), outdistancing the next closest pitcher by ten innings. He finished his Hilbert career with the All-Time win record of 13 games.

Hoak roamed the left side of the infield defensively while leading the Hawks at the plate. His .422 batting average ranked him third in the league’s averages, seventh in slugging percentage (.618), and second in triples (4). The shortstop led the Hawks with 102 at bats, finished first in hits (43), doubles (9), triples (4), and tied for first with 27 RBIs, while finishing second in runs (24). Offensively, his .947 fielding percentage helped him to turn 14 double plays over the course of the season.

Militello covered center field his entire Hilbert career and was finally recognized for his speed and accurate throws. This season’s .354 batting average helped him to score a team-best 26 runs off his 34 hits. He hit six doubles and two triples, along with one home run. “Mili” finished his career as the Hawks’ all-time hit leader with 159. Pernick was used as a catcher in AMCC games but also saw time in the infield covering the pads for his team when needed. Pernick’s .387 batting average put him in seventh place, and his .482 on-base percentage positioned him fifth in AMCC rankings. He finished second in hits (36), doubles (six), and team-high two home runs for the Hawks. He and Hoak led with 27 RBIs, and Pernick was walked 17 times he stood at the plate. He registered 108 put-outs, which was good for third on the team, directly below the two first basemen on defense. In three seasons, Pernick broke the 100 hits milestone. Hilbert finished the season 10-20 and 6-10, and in both situations, the Hawks doubled their win record from last year.

Team’s Season Stats

The North Eastern Athletic Conference (NEAC) has announced its 2012 Men’s Lacrosse All-Conference selections, with first-, second-, and third-team honors being awarded by position to a total of 36 student-athletes, as selected by the conference coaches. Hilbert College’s Sean Purtill was named to the All-Conference Third Team after leading the Hawks to a 4-4 league record.

The sophomore attacker became Hilbert’s offensive threat as the season progressed. He held a twenty-shot advantage over his teammates with 60 shots on goal and led the Hawks with 43 points (25 goals). As one of only three players to start all 12 games last season, Purtill was a depend-able performer who averaged 3.58 points per game and kept himself on the field, after earning only one 30-second foul, which placed him in the penalty box. Purtill becomes the first Hilbert athlete to receive a NEAC league post-season honor.

HILBERT COLLEGE’S McFARLAND EARN NATIONAL RECOGNITION

Hilbert College’s Dan McFarland (Lancaster, NY/St. Mary’s) was one of 467 student-athletes to be named to the 2012 NABC Honors Court team for student-athletes who excelled on and off the basketball court during the 2011-12 year. The National Association of Basketball Coaches (NABC) announced the team, which recognizes junior or senior varsity athletes who earned a 3.2 cumulative grade point average (or higher) at an NCAA Division I, II, III, or NAIA institution. McFarland was the only athlete recognized from the ten-team Allegheny Mountain Collegiate Conference (AMCC).

On the court, McFarland’s 483 points (17.9 ppg) and 58 steals led the Hawks (11-7) to a fourth-place finish in the AMCC league standings. Additionally, the 6’1” junior guard pulled down 140 rebounds and distributed 86 assists, which earned him an AMCC 1st-Team All-Conference selection and helped guide Hilbert to a 15-11 overall finish. His 1,168 career points places him at #7 in Hilbert’s all-time scorers list.

Off the court, the criminal justice major maintains a cumulative grade point average of 3.2 through his six semesters at Hilbert.